IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : Attorney Docket No. 2006 0736A

Hitoshi YOKOYAMA et al. : Confirmation No. 1805

Serial No. 10/581,253 : Group Art Unit 1781

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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Responsive to the final Office Action of January 21, 2011, the time for responding thereto being extended for one month in accordance with the fee submitted herewith, Applicants submit the following remarks in support of the patentability of the presently claimed invention over the disclosures of the references relied upon by the Examiner in rejecting the claims. Further and favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of these remarks.

Consideration After Final Rejection

Although these remarks are presented after final rejection, the Examiner is respectfully requested to enter and consider the remarks, as they demonstrate that the application is in condition for allowance.

Summary of Telephone Interview

Applicants wish to thank Examiner Badr for discussing the above-identified application with Applicants' representative on May 12, 2011.

During the interview, the outstanding indefiniteness and obviousness rejections were discussed in detail. The particular arguments set forth during the interview are provided below,